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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An iron golf club comprising a head part having a face, wherein a restitution coefficient is in the range of at least 0.81 and not more than 0.95 when colliding a ball against a sweet spot in said face at a speed of 44 m/s.

- 2. The iron golf club according to claim 1, wherein an effective face area being the surface area of a portion of said face deflectable at the hit is at least 2500 mm<sup>2</sup> and not more than 5000 mm<sup>2</sup>.
- 3. The iron golf club according to claim 1, wherein said head part has a hollow structure, wall portions are provided on the peripheral edge of a face part in said head part, and

the surface area of a central portion of said face located between said wall portions is at least 2500 mm<sup>2</sup> and not more than 5000 mm<sup>2</sup>.

- 4. The iron golf club according to claim 1, wherein an effective deflection length being the length of a portion of said face deflectable at the hit, passing through said sweet spot of said face in a direction perpendicular to the ground is at least 36 mm and not more than 72 mm.
- 5. The iron golf club according to claim 1, wherein said head part has a hollow structure, wall portions are provided on the peripheral edge of a face part in said head part, and

an effective deflection length being the length between said wall portions, passing through said sweet spot of said face in a direction perpendicular to the ground, is at least 36 mm and not more than 72 mm.

6. The iron golf club according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of a face part is at least 1.0 mm and not more than 2.5 mm at said sweet spot of said face.

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7. The iron golf club according to claim 1, wherein the elasticity of a face part in said head part is at least 30 GPa and not more than 210 GPa.

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